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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
10 SAN JOSE DIVISION
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12 ANITA ACACIO,

13 Plaintiff,

14 v.

15 ALLIANCE BANCORP, et al.,

16 Defendants.
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Case No.: C 10-4748 PSG

**ORDER DENYING DEFENSE
COUNSEL'S REQUEST TO APPEAR
TELEPHONICALLY AT CASE
MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

[Docket No. 14]

18 On December 22, 2010, Defendant Mortgage Electronic Registrations System, Inc.
19 ("MERS") filed a request to appear telephonically at the case management conference set for
20 December 28, 2010. Based on the request and the file herein,

21 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that MER's request is DENIED. MER has not established
22 good cause for requested relief. MER contends that traveling to this courthouse from San
23 Francisco will place a burden on its counsel. The burden of appearing in court, however, is a
24 normal burden of litigation. MER has not shown any specific facts that would warrant relieving it
25 of having its counsel appear in court for the case management conference, which has been
26 continued to February 15, 2011. See Order Setting Deadline for Parties to File Either a "Consent
27 to Proceed Before a United States Magistrate Judge," Or Else a "Declination to Proceed Before a
28 United States Magistrate Judge and Request for Reassignment"; Continuing Case Management

1 Conference dated December 22, 2010 (Docket No. 16) and Clerk's Notice dated December 27,
2 2010 (Docket No. 21).

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4 Dated: December 27, 2010

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6 PAUL S. GREWAL
7 United States Magistrate Judge
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